

HOUSE RESOLUTION 394

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate John and Bella Daniel, owners of Superior Medical Supply, and their employees for their years of meritorious service in the Clarksville business community and medical supply industry.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly salute those exemplary institutions that, through an abiding commitment to excellence, are a credit to their communities and this State; and

WHEREAS, Superior Medical Supply, Inc. is one such extraordinary institution deserving of special recognition; and

WHEREAS, Superior Medical Supply was founded in 1998 by budding entrepreneurs John and Bella Daniel to fulfill John Daniel's love of helping people that he inherited from his father; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Daniel retired from the military at the Fort Campbell military base after honorably serving in the United States Army for twenty-four years as a Master Sergeant, during which time he bravely served two tours in the Vietnam and Gulf Wars; and

WHEREAS, upon retiring from the military, John Daniel worked in real estate for a few years before entering the medical equipment field at a company in Paducah, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, feeling that he could better serve people by opening his own company in Clarksville, Mr. Daniel began his business in 1998 in his garage with himself doing the sales and his supportive wife, Bella, handling the paperwork; and

WHEREAS, as the company grew, the Daniels added John's daughter, Tammy, to the staff; they later added Mr. Daniel's friend, Kelsie Waldrop, to the staff as the computer specialist, who volunteered his valuable services until the Daniels could afford to pay him a salary; and

WHEREAS, the company continued its rapid growth and swelled to a staff of thirteen people working in a 900 square foot room; and

WHEREAS, in 2003, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel purchased a lot and constructed a 5,000 square foot building to house their expanding staff; the building currently serves as the company's corporate headquarters after opening a second store in Athens, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, today, the Joint Commission accredited company continues to grow and is presently in the process of opening a store in Evansville, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, Superior Medical Supply is a stellar organization whose owners and employees have graciously weathered the ups and downs of an ever-changing market while staying true to its core philosophy to develop strong relationships with its customers by providing excellent service and competitive products that exceed normal standards; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Daniel is a pillar of his community and his profession, maintaining memberships in the Clarksville Rotary, the Chamber of Commerce, the American Home Care Association, and the Tennessee Home Care Association, in addition to attaining status as a certified RESNA technician, a board certified licensed pedorthist, and the rank of Colonel in both Tennessee and Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, their many accomplishments aside, John and Bella Daniel are most grateful for the love and support they receive from their four children and ten grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, the future for Superior Medical Supply remains bright as the company's owners and employees prepare for many more years as an innovative and successful business; and

WHEREAS, the management and employees of Superior Medical Supply, Inc. continue to play an integral role in the economic life of the greater Clarksville community and are richly deserving of this Body's recognition; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and congratulate the owners, John and Bella Daniel, and the employees of Superior Medical Supply, Inc., on ten years of extraordinary success and commend their dedication in establishing Superior Medical Supply, Inc. as one of the finest businesses in Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.